



FUSION INDUSTRY ASSOCIATION

The Voice
of a new
Industry

The Fusion Industry Association is an international coalition of companies working to electrify the world with fusion - the unparalleled power of the stars. Energy from fusion will provide clean power for everyone that's safe, affordable, and limitless.

Accelerating Innovation in Energy Technologies

**President's Council of Advisors on
Science and Technology**

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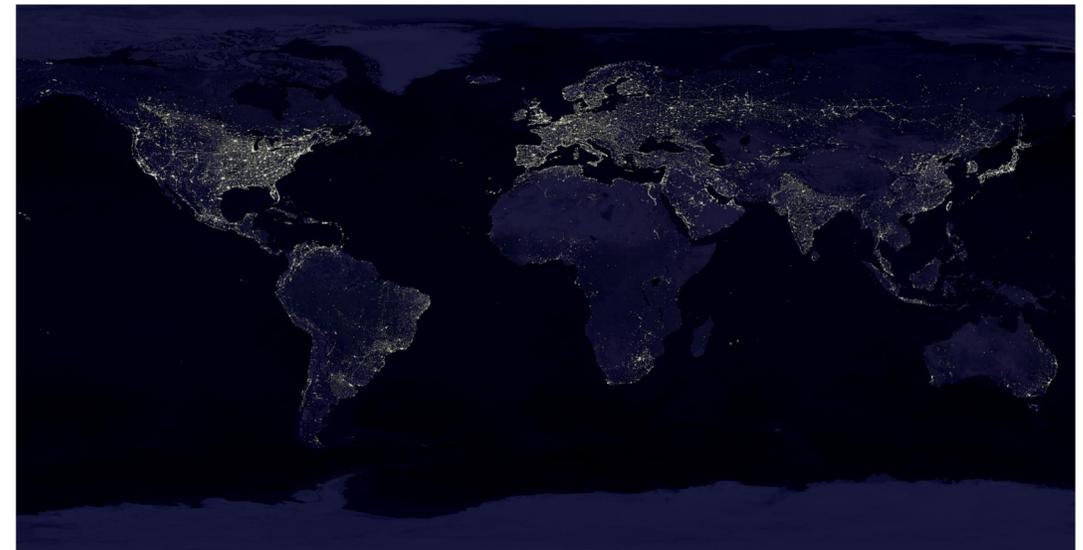
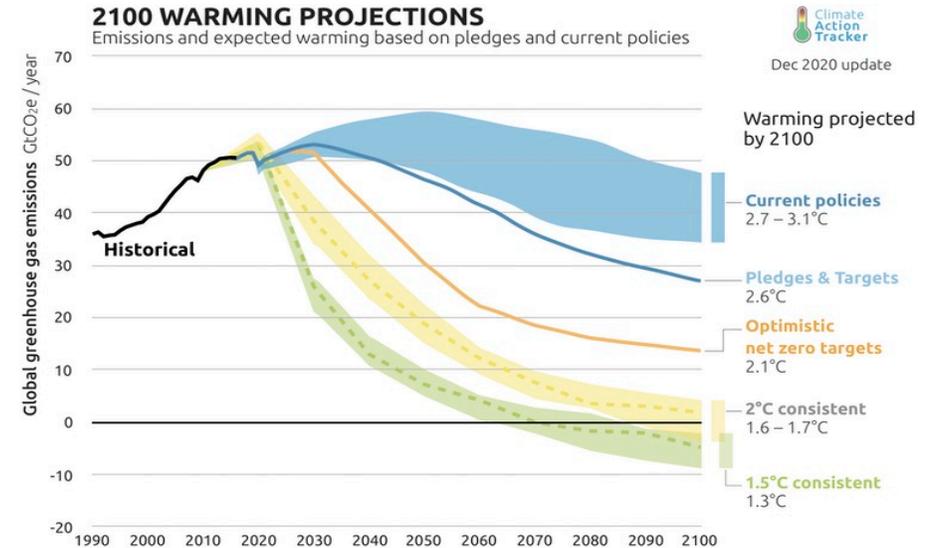
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Why Fusion?

- Fusion is a climate solution
- Fusion enables grid reliability and resilience
- Fusion will finish the job that renewables have started
- Fusion is the industry of the 21st century – driving jobs, prosperity, and export revenue
- Fusion will globalize energy access
- Fusion will end the geopolitics of energy

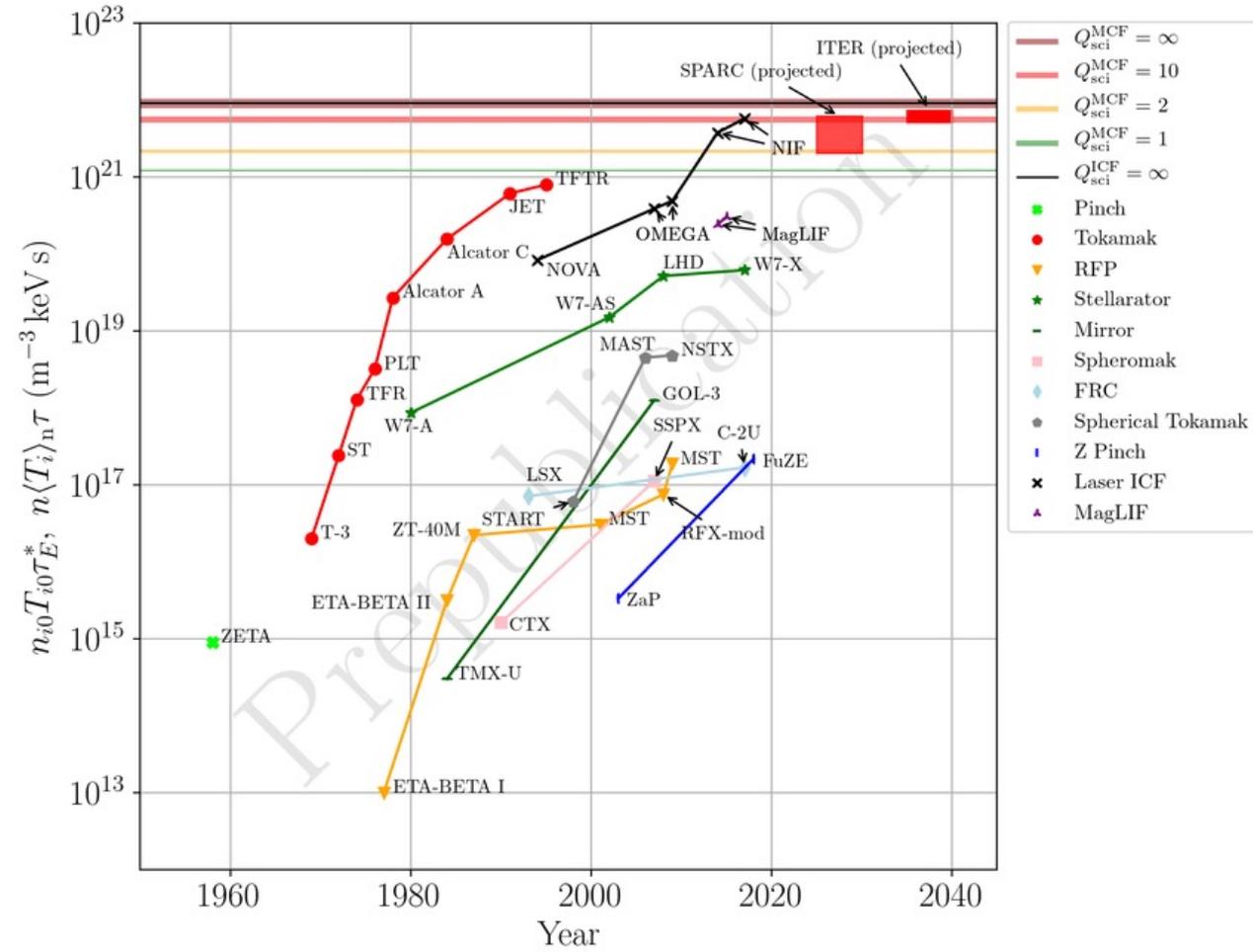


Fusion Is Close

Decades of advances in plasma physics

+ Technology revolutions in materials, computing power, advanced manufacturing

The cusp of net gain energy



U.S. Government investment has enabled this moment: it is time to capitalize on it.

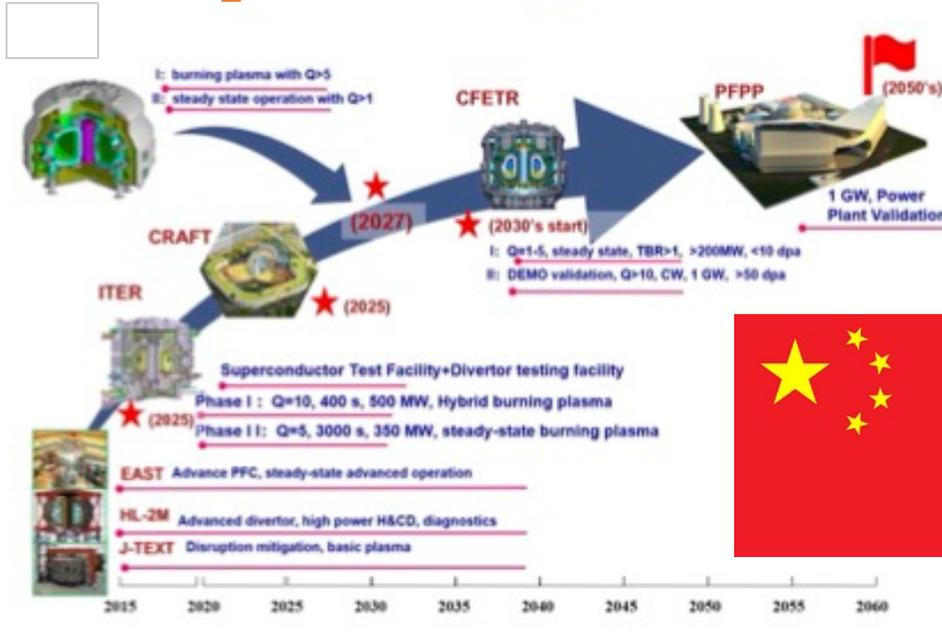
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A Global Competition

Department for
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Towards Fusion Energy

The UK Government's Fusion Strategy



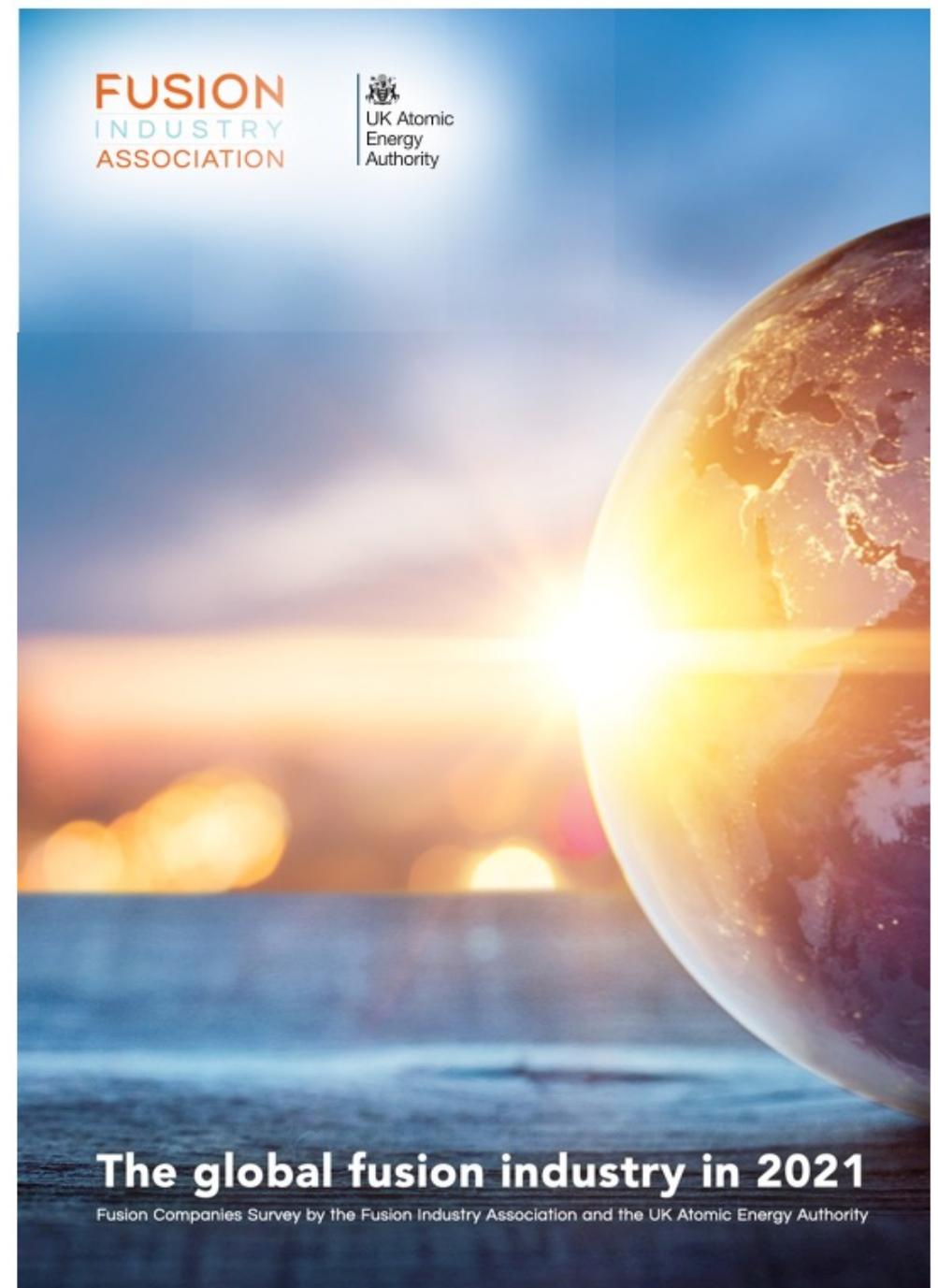
The Global Fusion Industry in 2021

31 verified private fusion companies

- 27 are members of the FIA
- 21 are American companies

Survey from Q2 2021 (23 responses)

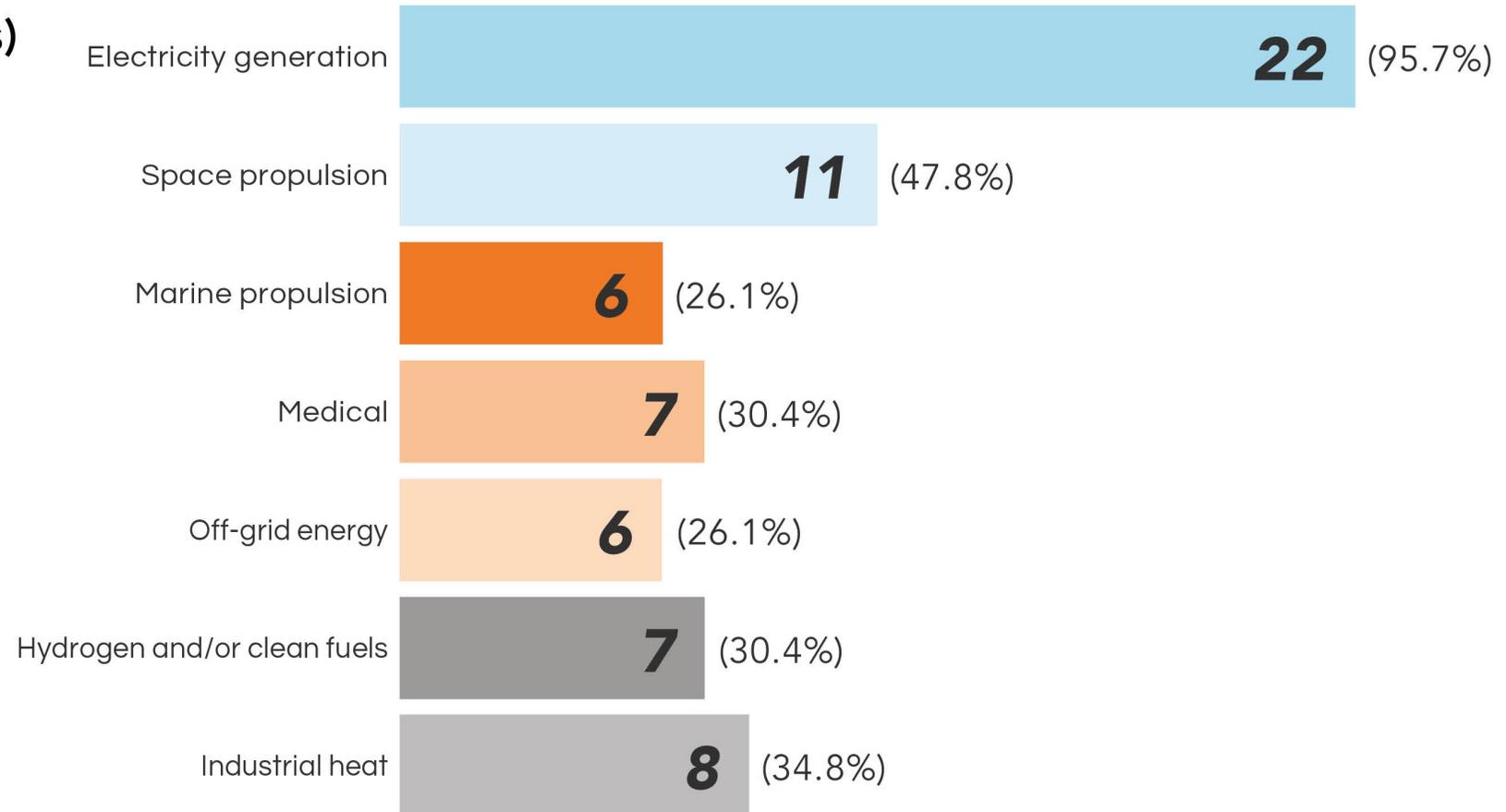
- \$1.87 billion (*and has grown to over **\$4.3 billion** by December 2021*)
- Focused on electricity generation (96%)
- Expect commercialization by the 2030s (83%)



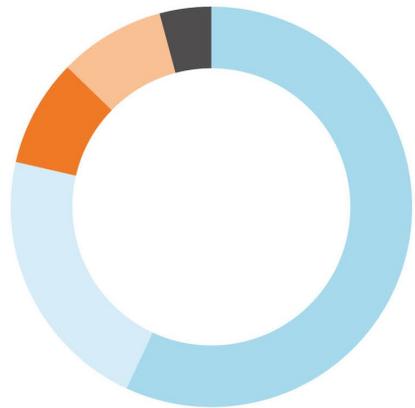
Target Markets

(Respondents could tick multiply boxes)

Target market(s)
23 responses



Technical Approach Taken by Global Fusion Companies



General approach

- 13 Magnetic confinement
- 5 Magneto-inertial
- 2 Hybrid electrostatic confinement
- 2 Inertial confinement
- 1 Non-thermal laser fusion
- 0 Cold fusion/LENR
- 0 Muon-catalysed fusion



Specific approach

- 3 Field Reversed Configuration
- 3 Tokamak
- 2 Spherical tokamak
- 2 Stellarator
- 2 Z-pinch
- 1 Dense plasma focus
- 1 Direct laser-driven pB11
- 1 Inertial-electrostatic confinement
- 1 Laser-driven inertial confinement (quantum enhanced)
- 1 Magnetic-electrostatic confinement
- 1 Magnetized target fusion
- 1 Plasma jet driven magneto-inertial fusion
- 1 Plectoneme
- 1 Shock-driven inertial confinement
- 1 Spheromak
- 1 undeclared
- 0 Laser-driven inertial confinement

FIA Membership

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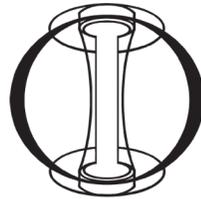
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Marvel Fusion



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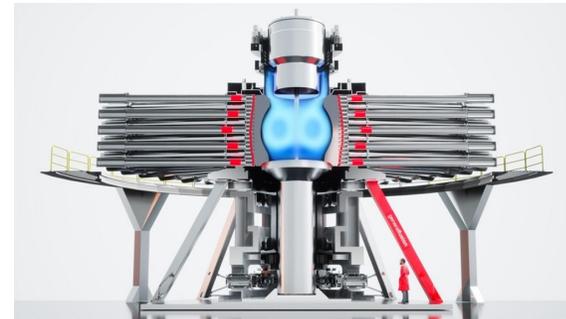
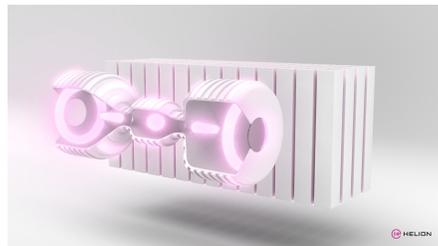
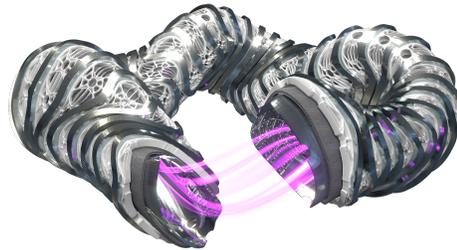
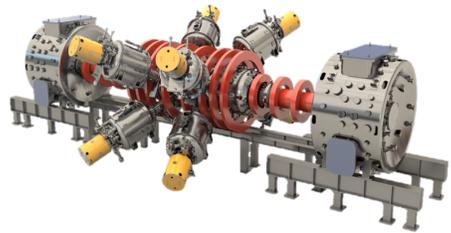
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Electric Fusion
Transforming energy for all humanity

Private Fusion Accelerating to a Timeline that is Relevant



- Scientific basis for fusion energy
- Scientific Proof of Concept
- Design and build Pilot Plants
- Operate Pilot Plants, first sales
- Commercial Fusion, rapid scale-up to global deployment



How To Accelerate Fusion Energy Innovation?

*Three strategic priorities for accelerating
fusion energy*

Accelerating Fusion Energy

1. Build a Partnership with DOE

The U.S. Fusion Program must have a comprehensive energy mission.

2. Direct Federal Support for Private Fusion

Pilot Plants are built by and for private industry. New Public-Private Partnerships will enable acceleration towards the fusion-powered future.

3. Ensure Regulatory Certainty

Fusion is safe. Ensuring that fusion power plants are subject to appropriate, risk-informed regulation will accelerate investment and development.

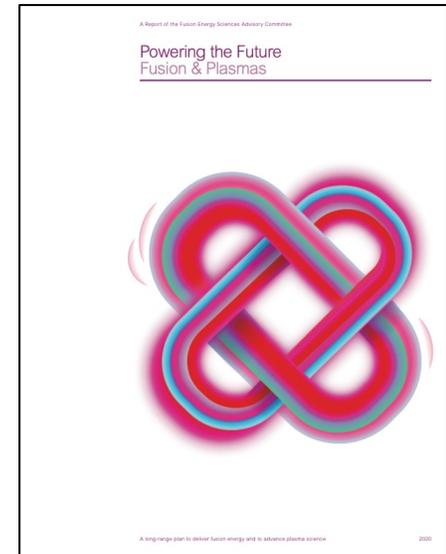
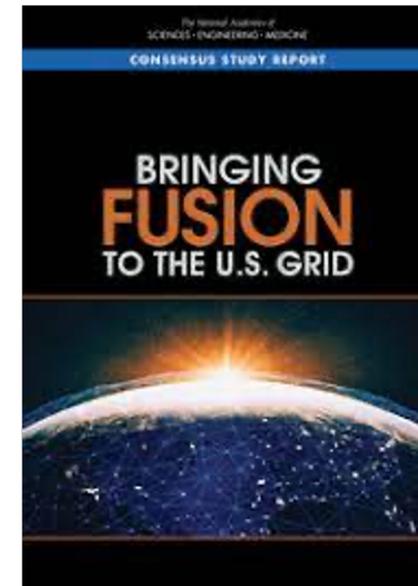
1. Build a Partnership with DOE Fusion Science Program

U.S. Fusion program must embrace a mission to accelerate fusion energy

DOE can support fusion commercialization push with world-leading science, computing power, and user facilities

DOE will build the **infrastructure** (*but not the pilot plants*) that enables an American fusion industry

DOE-funded scientists form the backbone of the fusion workforce



2. Direct Federal Support for Private Fusion

Proposal: Government Cost-Share with Private Fusion

- Models include the successful [NASA COTS](#) and [DOE SMR](#) cost-share programs
- Directly reimburse private companies for the development of new US-based fusion capabilities
- Leverage government dollars with private sector cost share
- Payments based on performance

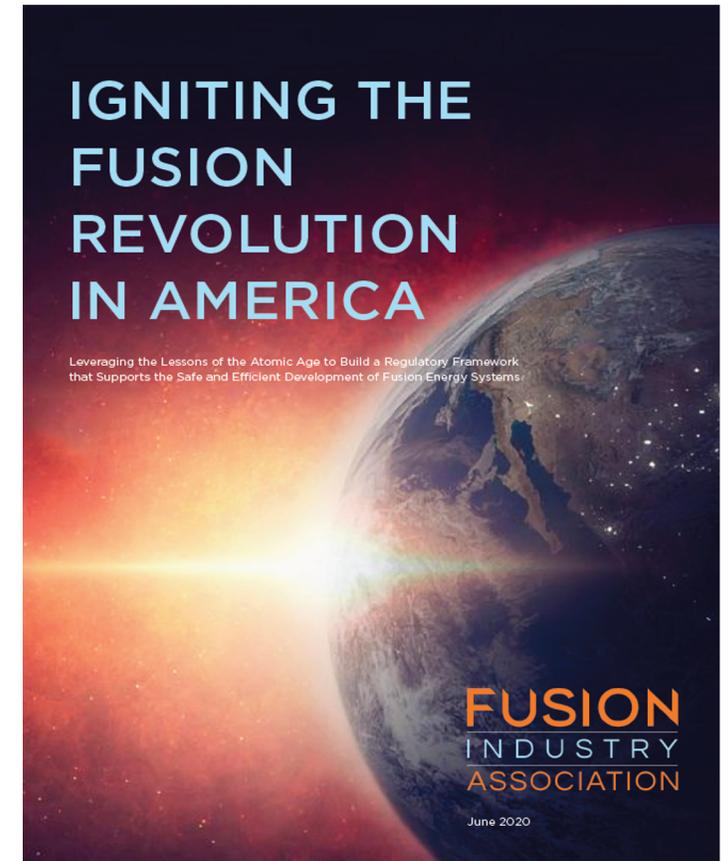
STATUS:

- Spring 2020: DOE issued an [RFI](#) on setting up a fusion cost-share program
- December 2020: Authorized by Congress in Energy Act of 2020
- Funded at \$325m (out of a total of \$885m for fusion) in House-passed BBB Reconciliation bill, and \$45m in FY22 House Appropriations
- FIA plan calls for \$1 billion in cost-share funding
- Broad support from industry, universities, and fusion science community

3. Ensure Regulatory Certainty

Fusion is Different than Fission

- US Nuclear Regulatory Commission
 - Ongoing public process to determine options for regulatory framework for fusion energy
 - A “Byproduct Materials” approach to regulation best ensure public safety and accelerated adoption of fusion energy
 - NRC should support staff with investment in more fusion expertise
 - Expect an “Options Memo” to the Commission in 2022
- Working with the IAEA to inform a global fusion regulatory structure.



The Race is On



Thank You

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